

EXHIBIT A

to

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(Serial No. 10/590,872)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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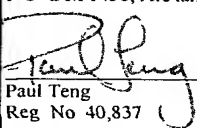
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- Preliminary Amendments filed on 08/25/2006
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- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 08/25/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 08/25/2006
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - The second inventor's last name is different compared to the International Application.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

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